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## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: November 18, 2015

TO: All Circuit and District Court Judges

All Circuit and District Court Administrators

FROM: Bobbi Morrow, Management Analyst

RE: 2015 PA 207 – Concealed Pistol License

Beginning December 1, 2015, the county concealed weapon licensing boards will be abolished and the bulk of the duties of the county boards will be transferred to the county clerks and the Michigan State Police.

MCL 28.428 is of specific importance and applies directly to the courts. As originally amended in 2015 PA 3, effective December 1, 2015, if an individual licensed to carry a concealed pistol was charged with a felony or misdemeanor the courts would have been required to "order the county clerk in the county in which the license to carry a concealed pistol was issued to suspend the individual's license until there is a final disposition of the charge for that offense." However, the latest amendment to MCL 28.428, as reflected in 2015 PA 207, clarifies that the county clerk is responsible for suspending the license if notified by a law enforcement agency, prosecuting official, or the court that an individual licensed to carry a concealed pistol is charged with a felony or misdemeanor. This change provides that the court may notify the county clerk that an individual licensed to carry a concealed pistol is charged with a felony or misdemeanor but is not required to order the clerk to suspend the license. Additionally, the recent amendment relieves the court from any responsibility to notify the clerk to reinstate the license if the individual is acquitted of the charge or the charge is dismissed. Instead, the individual is responsible for notifying the county clerk.

SCAO will be amending CC79 and CC80 for compliance with the portions of 2015 PA 3 that remain unchanged.

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